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PREXY TALKS AT KOMMERS.

Announces Possible Purchase of Site for Walker Memorial Building.

President Pritchett said Saturday evening at the Kommers that the Corporation was considering the purchase of the large plot of empty ground between Berkeley and Clarendon Streets, opposite Lowell, as a site for the Walker Memorial Building. Dr. Pritchett does not believe that the gymnasium will be included in the main building, as a gym would destroy the main function of the building, that of being a student club house. The gym will probably be built back of the Walker Memorial Building, so that it will not be a concrete part of the new building.

Eighty men attended the Kommers and were greatly entertained by Dr. Pritchett's remarks. G. M. Henderson, '06, presided and acted as toastmaster.

Dr. Pritchett expressed his regret at leaving the Institute, and gave an informal history of the beginning of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Learning. He then announced the possible purchase of a site for the Memorial Building, and went on to call attention to the real purpose of the Kommers.

"Kommers" is the German word for business, and its present meaning originated with the Hanseatic League of the Middle Ages, when the business men got together and discussed business affairs over their pipes and steins. So today, the Kommers is a gathering together for social entertainment with some purpose. The purpose may be to hear a speech, or to listen to some entertainment, but it must be accompanied by social intercourse. Each man should endeavor to entertain the man next him, and the real benefit of the Kommers comes from this social intercourse.

C. E. ELECTIONS.

The following are the names of the men elected to the Civil Engineering Society of the Institute at its last meeting, Monday, March 12: '06 — W. Couper; '07 — T. W. Robey, Jr., W. W. Pagon, P. N. Swett, E. V. Potter, C. W. Beam, B. F. Mills, G. S. Rassirsky, C. C. Barker, M. S. Todd, C. H. Shapleigh; '08 — L. H. Allen, J. F. Green, C. W. Radford, J. J. Tobin, H. H. Diamond, T. W. Orr, O. L. Throckmorton, S. T. Silberman, C. D. Putman, R. I. Ripley, R. C. Rice, M. Roco, G. D. Whittle, W. J. McAuliffe, L. S. Stone, S. C. Lyon, S. L. Dividson, A. E. Bremer, A. W. Heath, H. W. Griswold, H. T. Gerrish, E. H. Barber, G. M. Belcher, H. J. Ruggles, E. M. Savage, F. L. Franks, T. Larkin, A. C. Nicols, W. C. York, J. H. Harwood, W. E. Barton, W. W. Boynton, M. E. Allen, G. M. Gilkinson, G. M. Dextor, S. F. Nelson, M. L. Bodenstein, M. Ames, M. E. Kelly, G. A. Joslin, C. O. Brown, C. H. Boylston.

I. C. A. A. A. A. MEETS.

Intercollegiate Games will be Played on Soldiers Field May 25 and 26.

The Intercollegiate Amateur Athletic Association of America held its thirty-first annual convention at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, New York.

The most important action was the decision to hold the annual championship meet at Soldiers Field, on May 25 and 26. On the recommendation of the executive committee it was decided to accept the applications of Brown and Dartmouth for re-admission to membership in the Association. An application was also received from Dickinson, but as no one was present in behalf of the College, the application was laid on the table. The University of Michigan and Rutgers College were each declared dropped from membership in the Association for not having had an entry of three men in the last two championship meetings.

The contribution of $500 to the Olympic games fund was ratified, as well as the appropriation of $500 for a die of the new championship medal to be awarded at the 1906 field meeting.

On the recommendation of the executive committee, it was resolved "that records of Arthur F. Duffy are no longer acceptable to this association, and that the list of intercollegiate and of collegiate records be amended so that there be no mention therein of the name or performances of said Arthur F. Duffy."

The record of 11 feet 9¾ inches for pole vaulting by W. R. Dray of Yale, and the record of 1 minute 56 seconds for the half mile by E. B. Parsons, Yale, were accepted as intercollegiate records, and these two athletes will receive record medals at the expense of the association.

A change was made in Article IV of the by-laws, so that the article now reads as follows: "No college shall enter more than twelve men for any one competition or shall start more than five."

An amendment to Article VII of the by-laws was also adopted, providing for the distribution of dividends, under certain conditions, to the colleges in proportion to the number of their competitors in the field meetings and the number of miles travelled from the locations of the colleges.

U. S. OFFICE FOR INSTRUCTOR.

Mr. A. G. Woodman, instructor in Sanitary Chemistry at the Institute, has been appointed chemist to the Food Inspection Laboratory, which the United States Government now maintains in connection with the Custom House. Since the beginning of the year Mr. Woodman has devoted a portion of his time to the problems connected with the examination of imported food materials.

LAWRENCE SCIENTIFIC.

The Harvard Corporation Vote to Establish a Graduate Engineering School.

Upon the recommendation of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences the Corporation of Harvard University have voted to establish at the beginning of the next academic year a graduate school of applied science and to merge the Lawrence Scientific School with the academic department. In the graduate school degrees similar to that of M. E. will be conferred in the different branches of engineering, architecture, and forestry. A degree in arts or sciences will be required for admission. It is intended that the course will be two years, provided a student has arranged his work in his college course with a view of taking an advanced degree in the graduate school. Thus two degrees may be obtained in five years, which is one to two years shorter than the time required under the present plan to obtain a degree from the Law or Medical School or from a Technical School. This action by the Corporation will place the degrees of the new Harvard Scientific School on a par with the degrees given in the other professional schools. The plan further provides for the establishment of the Degree of Bachelor of Science in Harvard College, the requirements for which will be nearly the same as to the number of courses studied, as the requirements for the Degree of Bachelor of Arts. The men studying for the Degree of Bachelor of Science may elect their subjects just as the men studying for the Arts degree, but the candidates for the new degrees will be expected to arrange their work in accordance with the plans of the department in which they work.

COMMUNICATION.

The Editors do not hold themselves responsible for opinions expressed by correspondents.

To The Editor of The Tech:

Through the courtesy of Col. Charles P. Nutter, commanding the Corps of Coast Artillery of Massachusetts, I extend an invitation to the students of the Institute of Technology to attend a Battalion Drill to be given at the South Armory, Irving Street, Boston, by the First Battalion, on Monday evening, March 19, at 8 o'clock.

Albert A. Gleason,
1st Lieut., 2d Co. C. C. A.

THE SOCIETY OF ARTS.

The 621st regular meeting of the Society will be held in 22 Walker on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Prof. William H. Walker will address the Society on "The Chemistry of Cellulose as Applied to the Manufacture of New Textile Fibres: Mercerized Cotton, Artificial Silk, and Artificial Horsehair." The lecture will be illustrated by stereopticon slides and by demonstrations.

CALENDAR.

Monday, March 19.

4.00 P.M. Tech Show Chorus Rehearsal at the Tech Union.
4.00 P.M. Lecture on Electricity in Mining by Mr. F. T. Sprague, Mining Engineer, in 2 Rogers.
4.15 P.M. Tech Board Meeting in the Trophy Room, Rogers.
5.00 P.M. *Technique '08* Electoral Committee Meeting in 26 Rogers.
8.00 P.M. Concert of Musical Clubs at Lynn.
8.00 P.M. Architectural Society Smoker at the Tech Union.
8.00 P.M. Third of Series of Lowell Institute Lectures by Prof. Peabody, in Huntington Hall.

Tuesday, March 20.

1.10 P.M. Cross Country Association Meeting in 26 Rogers.
4.00 P.M. Rehearsal of Tech Show Principals at the Tech Union.
4.00 P.M. Glee Club Rehearsal at the Boston Y. M. C. A.
7.45 P.M. Electrical Engineering Society Meeting at the Tech Union.
8.00 P.M. Technology Chess Club vs. the Boston Chess Club at the Boston Chess Club.

Wednesday, March 21.

1.00 P.M. Newton High School Club Meet in 11 Rogers.
4.00 P.M. Rehearsal of Tech Show Chorus at the Tech Union.
4.00 P.M. Glee Club Rehearsal at the Boston Y. M. C. A.
4.00 P.M. Lecture on Electricity in Mining by F. T. Sprague, Mining Engineer, in 2 Rogers.
5.00 P.M. *Technique '08* Electoral Committee Meeting in 26 Rogers.
8.00 P.M. Chemical Engineering Society Meeting at the Tech Union.

NOTICES.

Chemical Society. — There will be a meeting of the Chemical Society on Wednesday next at the Tech Union at 8 P.M. Prof. F. H. Thorp will speak. Tickets 20 cents.

Newton High. — The Newton High School Club will hold a meeting in 11 Rogers at 1 P.M. Wednesday. All Newton High men are urged to be present.

G. M. Henderson, *President.*

Musical Clubs. — Owing to the regulations of the Boston Elevated, the special car for Lynn tonight will not be allowed in the Scollay Square subway, but will start from the corner of Washington and Hanover Streets, by Jaynes Drug Store, at 6.30 P.M. Everyone should be on hand.

Track Team Dinner. — The Annual Track Team Dinner will be held at the Union next Friday evening at 6 o'clock. Although this dinner is primarily for track team men, every man in the Institute is cordially invited to be present. Several good speakers have been obtained. The tickets will be 25 cents, and may be procured at the Cage. New men are especially invited.

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Monday, March 19, 1906.

Very few Freshmen were seen wearing green last Saturday, and the fact has given rise to the question: "Was it necessary?"

The student body has been looking forward to the Walker Memorial Building with some anticipation, and Dr. Pritchett's announcement at the Kommers that the Corporation is considering the purchase of a suitable site, is hailed as the first of the final steps towards the actual completion of the building. The site is an ideal one, considering its location in regard to the other buildings of the Institute, and also the impossibility of securing a plot of land on a more prominent street. THE TECH hopes that the Corporation will succeed in its endeavor to secure this land and that the building will be completed as soon as possible.

Concerning Harvard.

The establishment by the Harvard University Corporation of a graduate school for applied science and the merger of the Lawrence Scientific School with the College indicates the need for professional training in the branches of engineering, which was more highly specialized and more thorough than that offered by the Scientific School. That this step has been taken indicates also the belief that engineering work is essentially not different from other professional work and that the most can be obtained from it when it is studied by graduate students, for their longer training has given them better ability to grasp the fundamentals of science and realize the proper relations of science to their profession.

This event is of interest to Technology men because it shows what might have been the final outcome of the Tech-Harvard Merger and also because it shows how important is the training that students receive apart from their technical training because it promotes and initiates original thought and so leads to the ability to reason and think clearly.

GOOD CONCERT IN WEST NEWTON.

The Mandolin and Glee Clubs enjoyed one of the pleasantest trips of the year Friday evening when they played at the Unitarian Church in West Newton. A one hour program was rendered in the clubs' best manner. The Mandolin Club introduced "Oolong Li" from "The Chinese Honeymoon" for the first time. Mr. Arthur Killion made his first appearance with the clubs as vocal soloist and won much applause.

After the concert, refreshments were served by the young ladies of the church. Dancing followed until eleven o'clock. The program rendered was as follows:

"Winter Song" *F. F. Bullard, '87*
Glee Club

Banjo Solo *Selected*
Mr. Otis G. Fales

"In Love's Garden" *Gustin*
Mandolin Club

'Cello Solo *Selected*
Mr. Abbot H. Thompson, '08

"Three Little Piggies" *Selected*
Glee Club

Solo *Selected*
Mr. Arthur Killion

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Mandolin Club

"Tech Forever" *F. F. Bullard, '87*
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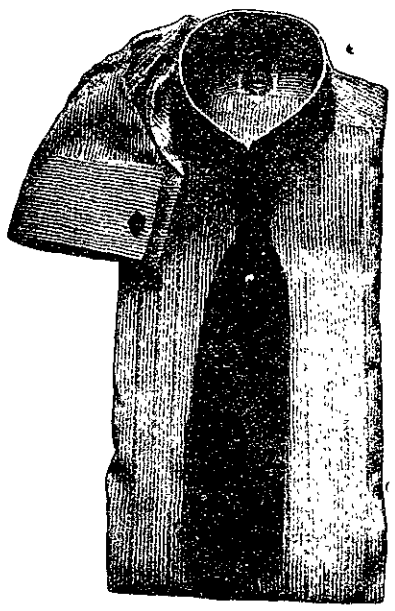

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Letters at Cage.— The following men will call at the Cage for important letters: H. L. Williams, '06; K. W. Richards, '07; W. J. Knapp, '06; E. L. Wilson, '06; B. L. Gimson, '08; A. Miller, '07; G. Glover, '08; H. R. Callaway, '08; P. J. Clapp, '06; R. B. Todd, '08; H. W. Blackburn, '08; A. L. Moses, '09; L. Allen, '07; R. D. Gatewood, G.

Cross Country.— The Cross Country Association will hold a meeting tomorrow at 1.10 P.M. in 26 Rogers to elect officers for the ensuing year and to consider proposed changes to the Constitution of the Association. The following men have been nominated for officers and will be voted on at the meeting: For President, P. J. Clapp, '06, A. R. Hunter, '08; for Secretary, L. F. Allen, '07, M. Ames, '08; for Captain, C. W. Beam, '07, B. L. Gimson, '08; for Treasurer, O. H. Starkweather, '07; for Chase Captain, C. W. Beam, '07, C. S. Clapp, '08.

Mining Eng. Society.— There will be a meeting of the Mining Engineering Society tomorrow evening at 7.30, in 2 Rogers. Prof. R. W. Lodge will speak on the subject of "Ores from a Commercial Standpoint." A full attendance is especially requested. At the close of the meeting refreshments will be served at the Technology Club, which has allowed the Society the freedom of its rooms for the evening. The Society extends its invitation to all who are interested in mining engineering. No tickets are required.

AT THE THEATRES.

Castle Square Theatre.

For the first time this season the management of the Castle Square Theatre will stage a play for its first production in this country. It is "The Edge of the Storm," an English melodrama brought out in England by Forbes Robertson recently, and it promises to prove the sensation of the year at the Castle Square. Its scenes are laid in India at the time of the great mutiny of half a century ago, and its picturesque surroundings and characters, and its romantic plot give it an enthralling power over the audience.

COLLEGE NOTES.

Wittenberg College received for theology and art purposes a gift of $125,000 in farm lands from Dr. H. W. Hamma, of Baltimore, who gave Hamma Divinity Hall to the college.

A conditional offer by Andrew Carnegie of a gift of $25,000 to Tabor College, Tabor, Iowa, was announced in Boston by President George N. Ellis, who is now in the East endeavoring to increase the endowment fund.

There is a chance that there will be no baseball team at Northwestern University the coming season. Not a man has begun practice, there is no captain, no coach, not a game scheduled and not a dollar in the treasury. The uncertainty as to what is to be done by the university in the adoption of rules is largely responsible for this state of affairs.

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Theatre Attractions

PARK.—William Collier in "On the Quiet."
HOLLIS.—Sam Bernard.
COLONIAL.—"Man and Superman."
TREMONT.—Leslie Carter in "Zaza."
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